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15 (Amended) A method for producing an immune response, comprising:

- (a) preparing a vaccine comprising an immunogenic construct and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, wherein the immunogenic construct is produced by steps including

 (i) activating at least one first carbohydrate-containing moiety with an organic cyanylating reagent, and (ii) covalently joining said activated carbohydrate-containing moiety to a second moiety; and
- (b) administering the <u>vaccine</u> [immunogenic construct] to a patient.

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are presented for examination.

By the above amendment, the independent claims have been rewritten to recite the preparation of a vaccine. Support for the amendment to claims 1 and 15 may be found in the specification, e.g., at page 24, line 12, through page 27, line 8.

The PTO is authorized to charge any fees necessary for this amendment to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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